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III. Remarks

A. <u>Status of the Application</u>

Claims 1-5, 7-8, 10-12, 14-41, 43-51, 90-108 and 142-147 are pending. Claims 1, 7-8, 11, 14, 19-20, 27-28, 31, 38, 43 and 100 have been amended.

Claims 6, 9, 13, 42, 52-89 and 109-141 have been cancelled.

Claims 142-147 have been added.

Favorable consideration of this application in light of the following remarks is respectfully requested.

B. Claim Amendments

Claims 1, 8, 11 and 31 have been amended to include the subject matter of claims 6, 9, 13 and 42, respectively. Claims 7, 14 and 43 have been amended for consistency with the amendments to claims 1, 11 and 31, respectively.

Claim 19 has been amended to specify that the claimed cementing plug apparatus has a plurality of wiper cups extending from the first and second jackets disposed on the first and second body members, respectively, of the cementing plug. Claims 27 and 28 have been amended for consistency with the amendments to claim 19.

Claims 7-8 and 43 have been further amended to correct grammar errors.

Claims 20 and 100 have been amended to correct spelling errors.

Claim 38 has been amended to correct a claim dependency error.

C. Reissue Application Declaration

Submitted with the present paper is a revised Reissue Declaration. It is respectfully submitted that the revised Reissue Declaration is in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.175 and M.P.E.P. § 1414.

D. Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that claims 1-5, 7-8, 10-12, 14-41, 43-51, 90-108 and 142-147 are in condition for allowance and an early formal notice thereof is requested.

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The examiner is invited to call the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number if a telephone conference would expedite or aid the prosecution and examination of this application.

Respectfully submitted

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